

FISCAL NOTE

Bill #: HB0579

Title: Revise coal board grant restrictions

Primary Sponsor: Small-Eastman, V.

Status: As introduced

Sponsor signature

Date

David Ewer, Budget Director

Date

Fiscal Summary

	<u>FY 2006 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2007 Difference</u>
Expenditures:		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Revenue:		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Net Impact on General Fund Balance:	\$0	\$0

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Local Gov. Impact | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Technical Concerns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Included in the Executive Budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Long-Term Impacts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Revenue Form Attached | <input type="checkbox"/> Needs to be included in HB 2 |

Fiscal Analysis

ASSUMPTIONS:

Department of Commerce (DOC)

1. HB 579 requires the Department of Commerce to identify and designate census-designated places (CDP's) for the purposes of coal impact grants and removes the 7 percent limitation on grants for Indian tribes imposed in 90-6-209, MCA.
2. Section 2 (2)(b) provides that if a grant is awarded to a CDP "the governing body of the county, school district, other local or state governmental unit or agency, or the governing body of the federally recognized Indian tribe, as applicable, is the grantee."
3. Since the Coal Board program attached to the Department's Community Development Division already awards grants to the governing bodies of the counties, school districts, other local or state governmental units or agencies, and the governing body of federally recognized Indian tribes, there would be no fiscal impact.

TECHNICAL NOTES:

1. CDP's are delineated to provide U.S. Census data for concentrations of population, housing, and commercial structures that are identifiable by name but are not within an incorporated place. Boundaries of CDP's as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau in cooperation with state, local, and tribal officials. These boundaries, which usually coincide with visible features or the boundary of an adjacent incorporated place or other legal entity boundary, have no legal status, nor are they governmental agencies eligible to receive Coal Board grant funds.